

**November 2006**



# Gallatin County 4-H Newsletter

## Window Display Winners

A special thanks to all the clubs participating in the National 4-H Week window display contest in early October. Your attractive displays throughout the valley were a wonderful promotion of 4-H and all the things we do. Also a big thank you to the businesses listed below who allowed space for our 4-H displays.

### **Grand Champion: Manhattan Spud Rustlers – Manhattan Hardware**

Honorable Mentions:

- Manhattan Tater Gems - Auto Inn Garage, Manhattan
- Shining Mountaineers 4-H Club - Leslie's Hallmark, Bozeman
- Manhattan Clever Clovers - Manhattan Schools



Manhattan Spud Rustlers Display at the old hardware store in Manhattan

## Four Leaf Clovers 4-H Cloverbud Club to Meet

The Cloverbud's next meeting will be November 21 and will focus on making healthy after-school snacks. Everyone is asked to bring a recipe of their favorite snack and then a little recipe book will be put together for each Cloverbud. Members are also encouraged to bring a donation for the food bank too. This can be any nonperishable food item like can goods, noodles, cereal, etc.

Club leader Megan Wick makes most of her contacts through email. Interested families can email Megan at [megan.wick@yahoo.com](mailto:megan.wick@yahoo.com). All meeting updates will be sent by email, including the November meeting place which is yet to be determined. Please RSVP if you plan to participate as supplies will need to be gathered for making a fruit pizza.

A big thank you to our returning leaders Megan Wick and Carlie Widhalm and to our new assistant leaders Sarah Larsen, Keri Peterson, and Dominic Duchesneau. A "Meet the Leaders" info sheet will be put together and made available to all involved.

## State Tree Globes Delivery Date !!!!

Thank you to everyone who picked up the globes used to decorate the State Christmas Tree in Washington, D.C. There will be a party at Valley Bank of Belgrade at 6 pm on **Monday, November 6, 2006** to collect and look at all the hard work put into this unique project. Be sure to get your globes in at that time as they will be shipped Tuesday, November 07, 2006 and there are penalties for missing globes.

## **Leaders Council Meeting**

The Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council will meet on the second Tuesday of the month at **6:30 p.m.** at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. Bring a couple dollars for your meal. Next meeting is **Tuesday, November 14th.**

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## Montana Farm Bureau Foundation announces its Fourth Annual Youth Speech Contest

The Montana Farm Bureau Foundation is offering an opportunity through their Youth Speech Contest for young people to hone their speaking skills, sharpen their knowledge of agriculture and vie for \$1500 in prize money. The Fourth Annual MFB Foundation Youth Speech Contest offers contestants the chance to showcase their communication skills by writing a speech on the theme "Managing Rising Energy Costs on Today's Agricultural Operation." In addition, participants will have the opportunity to present their speech Sunday, Nov. 12 in conjunction with the Montana Farm Bureau Federation Annual Convention at the Holiday Inn in Bozeman. The junior division contestants, ages 13 and younger, will present a speech two and one-half to four minutes in length and senior division contestants, ages 14-17, will present a speech five to seven minutes in length. Some County Farm Bureaus will hold a preliminary competition prior to the state contest. Contestants will be judged on the content and composition of the speech as well as the delivery. The MFB Foundation will award the \$1500 in prize money to first through third place winners in each category. Students who are age 18 and currently enrolled in high school at the time of the contest may elect to participate in either the speech contest or the Young Farmer and Rancher Discussion Meet. (For more information on the YF&R Discussion Meet, visit MFBF's website, <http://www.mfbf.org/>). Forms must be completed and in the state office in Bozeman by November 1. A copy of the speech must be sent with the registration form. For more information or to receive a registration form, call Mariah Baumann, 406-534-3701, email [mariahb@mfbf.org](mailto:mariahb@mfbf.org) or visit our website, [www.mfbf.org](http://www.mfbf.org).

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## Junior Ag Loan Programs from the Montana Department of Agriculture

The Junior Agriculture Loan is available to active members of FFA, 4-H, and other recognized agricultural youth organizations are eligible for this program. The Montana Department of Agriculture may also make direct loans to youths unable to participate as members of such organizations. Parents or guardians must be willing to cooperate with prospective borrowers and have ample facilities available to provide for the project. Applicants should be between the ages of nine and twenty-one, Montana residents, and citizens of the United States of America. Youth ages 9-11 may borrow a maximum of \$3,500 for up to a five years. Youth ages 12-21 may borrow a maximum of \$8,500 for up to five years. Both are available at 6% simple interest annually. More than one member of a family may qualify for individual loans up to \$8,500 each. Individuals may borrow up to 90 percent of the total first year cost of the project. The rural Assistance Loan Program is available to individuals 18 years of age and above for a maximum of \$50,000, terms vary by loan type. Application forms are available on the web: [www.agr.state.mt.us/business/JrAgLoans.asp](http://www.agr.state.mt.us/business/JrAgLoans.asp)

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## Ag Ambassadors Available for Club Presentations

The Agricultural Ambassadors for the MSU College of Agriculture have offered to speak as guest presenters at 4-H club meetings in Gallatin County. Their topic is "Going the College" and includes insights into choosing a college, financial aid, and living in dorms as well as answering audience questions. They can tailor their talk for 15 to 45 minutes depending on your club needs. Call the 4-H office at 388-3213 if interested.

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## 4-H Legislative Breakfast Planned

The Montanans for 4-H are again holding the 4-H Legislative Breakfast on Tuesday, January 16, 2007 from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. at the Red Lion Colonial Inn in Helena. As is the past, Gallatin County will send a small delegation of 4-H members and leaders to host our area legislators during the breakfast. We will share a table with them and discuss 4-H in our county until the overall program begins. Often times, legislators will offer a tour after breakfast and will lead our group through the capitol. If you're interested in being a part of our delegation, please contact the 4-H office at 388-3213 and we'll put you on the list.



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## International Programs Update:

Now is the time to think about traveling abroad with the IFYE program for a one, three or six month exchange. Montana youth, ages 16-19, can travel to Australia for one month next summer as part of the IFYE Ambassador program. Former 4-Hers (19-30) can travel to a country of their choice and stay with host families for up to six months. Travel for this program begins next June after a national orientation that brings together IFYEs from all over the United States. Significant financial assistance for these programs is provided by the Montana 4-H Foundation and program coordination is provided by the 4-H Center for Youth Development. These trips are unique cultural experiences that encourage global communication and allow participants to understand another culture and language in-depth. **Application deadline: January 1, 2007.**

Other travel opportunities available to youth are a summer month in Finland, Japan, Mexico, or possibly, Puerto Rico. 4-H youth from around the country travel with chaperones to their country of choice and stay with host families for a month beginning in June or July of 2007. Adult chaperones are needed for these, as well as, the IFYE Australia program. **Application deadline for chaperones to Finland, Japan: February 15, 2007.**

A full year internship is available to a select number of college-age youth (3-4 annually) who have already been to Japan on a one month summer exchange. Interns are selected from around the nation and work in the Labo, LEX or Utrek offices for one year. Applicants that are chosen for an interview will be flown to Seattle to meet with the Japanese partner organizations before a final selection is made. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! **Application deadline: January 15, 2007.**

Application materials for all programs are available on the web at [www.montana4h.org](http://www.montana4h.org) or by calling Stephanie Davison at 994-3502.

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## 2006 GALLATIN COUNTY 4-H SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS RESULTS

Outstanding 4-H Foundation Member Award to Betsy Heckel  
Outstanding 4-H Alumni Award to JD Vukonich  
Partner In 4-H Award to Mark Lien/Rocky Mountain Furniture  
Partner in 4-H Award to Rod Cline/Circle L Arena  
Outstanding 4-H Club Leader Award to Kathy Cheney  
Outstanding 4-H Project Leader Award to Sandra Fiegi  
Outstanding 4-H Leaders Council Member Award to Kelley Phipps  
Lifetime 4-H Achievement Award to Nick Shrauger  
Gallatin County 4-H Leader of the Year Award to Scott Francis  
Outstanding 4-H Member of the Year Award to Emily Lohmeier  
Outstanding 4-H Club Member of the Year Award to Codi Francis



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## New Scholarship Application Form to be Used

In order to standardize the process for asking for funding from the Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council, the Council has developed and approved the application form inserted in this newsletter. Leaders or members asking for funds are asked to fill out and submit the form to the 4-H office. This includes requests for camp scholarships, leader training assistance, and funds for any event. The form will also be available on the web at [www.gallatinextension.com](http://www.gallatinextension.com).



**Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council  
October 10, 2006  
MacKenzie River Pizza, Belgrade, MT**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:33 pm by President, Ginny Francis.

**ROLL CALL:** Council members present were Chris Phipps, Kelley Phipps, Carrie Hotzel, Sandra Fiegi, Ginny Francis, Betsy Heckel, Kathy Cheney, and Leia Miller. Guests present were Sarah Phipps, Spencer Fiegi, Megan Miller, Miles Miller, Audrey Miller, Karen Ludeman, and Sonja Berg.

**SECRETARY'S REPORTS:** Betsy moved, seconded by Carrie, that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- A thank you card was received from Matt and Kylie Gagnon for the travel expenses Gallatin Co. provided for their Shooting Sports trip to Kentucky.
- A thank you card was received by Lizzy Vaughn for the MSU Horsemanship grant she received.
- A thank you card was received by Cody Francis for the 4-H Member of the Year award.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Kelley moved, seconded by Sandra, that the Treasurer's Report be approved as written. Motion carried. After reviewing the Yearly Budget, there were discrepancies noticed. The Monthly Budget and the Yearly Budget totals were not the same. Kelley amended the motion, seconded by Sandra, to having Todd review the budget so that correctly reflected the Yearly Budget. Amended motion carried.

**GUEST PRESENTATIONS:** Karin Ludeman from the Montanan's for 4-H presented information in regards to the Legislative Breakfast scheduled for January 16, 2007. Background to how and why the Legislative Breakfast came about was shared, as well as what has been done in the past and their perspective plan for the upcoming Legislative Breakfast. She petitioned the Council to donate \$60.00 - \$70.00 to help cover the costs of breakfast for the Legislators. Be sure to watch for upcoming updates.

**COMMITTEE AND LEADER REPORTS:**

- Montana 4-H Horse and Livestock Leaders Forum: This is open to adults and teens 14 years of age and older. This event will be held December 8-10, 2006, and the registration fee is \$50.00. The Fair Grounds is booked, and Holiday Inn will be housing the participants. There are many new options available this year in addition to just horses, and workshops are currently being planned. Please note the application deadline is November 15, 2006.
- Rocky Mountain Sewing Festival: A special thank you was extended by Ginny Francis, Janelle Barber, and Sandra Fiegi for allowing them to attend. They had a fabulous time and learned many things that they will be implementing into their projects and at the county level.
- Shooting Sports Training: Kelley and Chris Phipps received their Archery Certification, had a fun time, and learned many neat ideas to bring into the Shooting Sports Archery program. They extended many thanks to the Council for allowing them to attend.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- State Tree Globes: The globes used to decorate the State Christmas Tree in Washington, D.C. have arrived. There will be a party at Valley Bank of Belgrade at 6 pm on Monday, November 6, 2006 to collect and look at all the hard work put into this unique project. Be sure to get your globes in at that time as they will be shipped Tuesday, November 07, 2006 and there are penalties for missing globes. Thank you to all who are participating!
- Training Ideas: Sandra moved, seconded by Kathy, that we host a Leader and Club Officer Training Workshop to be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2006. Location to be determined. Motion carried. Sandra will be looking for a location and thought that Cyndi could send out emails and/or letters to the 4-H Leaders. The idea behind the workshop is to get Leaders and Club Officers more involved.
- Thank You's to the Fair Superintendents: Kathy moved, seconded by Carrie, that we send written thank you's to the 2006 and continuing year's Fair Superintendents, Key Leaders, and Key Helpers to show our appreciations for all they do. It was suggested we use the 4H 4U 4ME License Plate stock, and see if Cyndi would be willing to print these for us. Motion carried.
- Shooting Sport Training Funding: Kelley and Chris Phipps presented their total expenses of \$594.07 (\$100.00 registration, \$35.00 hotel fee, \$68.36 meals costs, and \$390.71 in mileage), of which \$300.00 of this has already been approved and reimbursed. They asked if the Council would be willing to reimburse them an extra \$100.00 for the remaining out of pocket expenses they incurred, and that they were not worried about the remaining \$194.07 in mileage. Betsy moved, seconded by Leia, that we reimburse Kelley and Chris Phipps \$100.00 out of late fees. Motion carried.

## Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council (continued)

### NEW BUSINESS:

- 2006-2007 Budget: Carrie moved, seconded by Sandra, that we table the budget until the figures have been verified. Motion carried.
- Election of Officers: After talking to Todd at the last meeting, Kelley expressed that since the By-Laws stated the Secretary is to be voted in on even years, that she should be willing to leave her post as Secretary to become President Elect if that's was something the Council would like to do. Elections are as follows:
  - President: Sandra moved, seconded by Betsy, that Kathy Cheney be President by acclamation. Motion carried.
  - President Elect: Kathy moved, seconded by Carrie, that Kelley Phipps be President Elect. Motion carried.
  - Secretary: Betsy moved, seconded by Sandra, that Leia Miller be Secretary. Motion carried.
- Scholarship Requests: Kathy moved, seconded by Sandra, that we approved the scholarship for the two members who were asking for it. If the applications were made after the deadline, the parents would be responsible for the late fee of \$5.00/month past the deadline. Motion carried.
- Legislative Breakfast Sponsorship: Sandra moved, seconded by Betsy to donate \$70.00 to the Legislative Breakfast (\$60.00 from State 4-H Legislative Breakfast budget, and \$10.00 from License Plate budget). Motion carried.
- Greytak Calendars: Kathy moved, seconded by Kelley, that we order 10 Greytak Calendars for Gallatin County. Motion carried.
- Alberta 4-H Leaders Forum: Deadline for registration is October 15, 2006. This is an event where 4-8 Montana leaders can go to Alberta for leader training. Those who have attended in the past report that they had a wonderful time. If you would like to attend or have any questions, please contact Cody Stone at 406-994-3503.
- Leader's Social/Luncheon Ideas: Covered under Training Ideas in Old Business.
- WWWF: The Wild West Winter Fest Committee has requested 4-H's involvement in a carnival type booth. Kathy moved, seconded by Betsy, that we would entertain the idea of a 4-H Carnival at WWWF provided it is hosted indoors. Motion carried.
- Food Project Grant: Sandra moved, seconded by Kathy, that we recommend the Foundation approve the full amount requested. Motion was defeated 2-1. Some concerns expressed was the exclusion of other kids outside of the Manhattan Clever Clovers 4-H Club, and that we do have grants available to help fund individuals.
- Shooting Sports Grant: Betsy moved, seconded by Kathy, that we recommend the Foundation approve the full amount requested. Motion carried.
- Photography Grant: Kelley moved, seconded by Betsy, that we recommend the Foundation approve the full amount requested. Motion carried.
- ROC Wheelchairs: This group makes wheelchairs for underprivileged countries. They are looking for volunteers to help with the booth and activities on Saturday, October 21, 2006 for 3 pm - 8 pm. The event is being held at the Lazy B Barn, 10401 Gooch Hill Lanes, Gallatin Gateway, MT 59730. Please call 406-587-1667 if you have any questions, or would like to help.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- October 18, 2006 ~ Horse Forum Planning Committee
- October 19, 2006 ~ Foundation Fall Meeting
- November 14, 2006 ~ Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting
- December 31, 2006 ~ Gallatin 4-H Grant Application Deadline

**ADJOURNED:** 8:37 p.m. by President, Ginny Francis

Kelley Phipps, Secretary



## Vet Science

Our first meeting will be November 14th at 6 p.m. at Double Diamond Vet. Please bring pencil and notebook. We will not be having a meeting in December, but will resume the beginning of next year. If you have any questions please contact Shawna at 539-0895



## Montana Advanced Youth Market Beef Program Again Offered

Due to continued interest and an exceptional response, this statewide program is being offered again to Montana 4-Hers. The program came about to better educate youth on today's beef industry and its significant change in expectations over the years. Goals for the program are to provide advanced youth beef education in economics, genetic selection, health, quality assurance, nutrition, and record keeping/data interpretation. Participants will raise a pen of three market steers, turn in a beginning weight by Dec 15, and feed the steer to market weight by June 4<sup>th</sup>. Targets will be choice cattle with yield grades 1, 2, and 3 with no discounts. Members will also receive an Advanced Market Beef Newsletter and must be present at the statewide judging in early June. Steers will then be shipped to a commercial processing facility and sold on a quality and yield grade basis. Participants will be paid carcass value after all marketing expenses are deducted. Call the 4-H Office at 388-3213 for a detailed brochure.

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## Crochet, Embroidery, and Knitting



Our first meeting will be Thursday, November 02, 2006 at 6:30 pm. We will be meeting at Stephanie Davison's house. She's in the Heritage Condos by 15th. & Babcock. Her address is 200 South 15th. #17 in Bozeman. You will need to park on the street to avoid getting your vehicle towed as they have strict parking regulations. If you need directions, please contact Stephanie at 406-580-0956. We will be planning out our project year, so please attend this important meeting. If you have any cool ideas, please bring them with you as everyone's input is important.

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## Horse

Horse Committee Members: Shannon Brooks, 388-0886; Misty Radue, 388-6655; Amy Lewis, 580-6693; Barb Barber, 282-7030; Jeff Cooper, 388-1624; Edie Baker, 285-3657.

The next Horse Committee Meeting is Monday, November 13th at 6:30 pm at the Kountry Korner Café at Four Corners.

**HORSE PROJECT MEMBERS!!!!** Make sure you are enrolled for the current 4-H year before you participate in any workshops.

**C2M:** November 12th, Sunday at 1:00 p.m. to 8 p.m.(?) . Call Barb Barber at 282-7030 to pre-register. We need 3 or more participants or else this workshop will be cancelled.

**HELMET WORKSHOP:** There will be a helmet workshop on **November 14th** at 6:30 at the Sale Pavilion at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds.

**TACK CLEANING:** Workshop will be held on December 10th at Circle L Arena at 10:00. Please contact Shannon Brooks at 388-0886 if you have any questions.

**ASSESSMENTS:** Horse committee members are the only ones to do the assessments. Please contact one of the members if you are planning to move up a level and ride or participate at that level. You also need to let the office know if you assess up a level. Some projects (C2M, Green Horse, ...) require completion of Horsemanship Levels 1, 2, and 3 before you can participate. Make sure you are at the correct level when signing up for your enrollment.

We sent a survey regarding Summer Fair to all horse project members and families. Your opinions will be highly valued. Your response will be greatly appreciated. We would like all surveys returned to the 4-H office at 201 West Madison, Suite 300, Belgrade, MT 59714 by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Scholarships Available:** Please note that there are scholarship funds available to help offset the cost of workshops that have a cost involved. The horse committee tries to provide quality instructors and keep the costs to 4-H members as low as possible. If you would like to apply for a scholarship when these workshops are announced, please submit a request letter to the Horse Committee **before** the event.

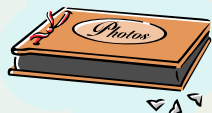
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## Livestock Judging

The Choteau FFA alumni are organizing a livestock judging event for 4-H and FFA youth on **December 9** at 9 a.m. The event will be held at the Weatherbeater building in Choteau. The cost is \$7.00 per person which includes a training session, materials, awards and lunch. Teams may sign up for the junior division, which includes members under fourteen, or the senior division, for members ages 14 and up. Contact Milford Wearley at the Choteau High School at 466-5303 by December 1 to register.

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## Scrapbooking Project & Club Historian



Monday October 30th at 7:00 pm. Learn the basics to organizing, laying out and completing scrapbooks. Please bring 2-3 photos and \$1 for a hands on project. For directions and more information contact Elizabeth Cash at 582-1702 or Janice Dewey at 587-1418. Elizabeth is also available as a guest speaker for your 4-H club with a hands on project option.

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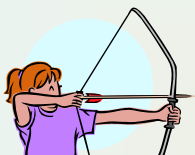
## Rabbit



Bring your rabbits to Brenda Townsend's house for a rabbit "show and tell". We will learn about different breeds and colors. (3 rabbits maximum per member) We will also cover basic winter care for rabbits. Bring your scrapbooks and we will continue with diseases. I will photocopy some cool pictures of diseases—bring your own if you have some. This one hour meeting will be followed by a tour of some different member's rabbitries around Manhattan. We will start at 1 p.m. on Saturday, November 19th. Any question, please call Brenda at 284-6434.

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## Shooting Sports



The first workshop for shooting sports for **beginning archery only** will be November 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm at Yellowstone Gateway Sports. **This workshop will be for beginning archery only!** The first regular workshop will be Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Members will have the opportunities to shoot air rifle, air pistol, or archery. All equipment and supplies will be provided or members may bring their own. Before purchasing a bow or an air gun please contact an instructor first. Sessions are on Sundays, starting November 19<sup>th</sup> through February 25<sup>th</sup>, except December 24<sup>th</sup>. Session times are 5:00-6:00, 6:00-7:00, 7:00-8:00. The 5:00-6:00 session has been crowded in the past. The 7:00-8:00 session has had the least amount of shooters. Members are free to choose which session to attend and should arrive 10-15 minutes early.

The 4-H BB gun program will begin in **January**. First year shooters will be required to participate in the BB gun program before shooting in the regular air rifle or air pistol program.

No 8 year olds will be allowed to enroll in Shooting Sports for archery, air rifle, and air pistol, regardless of birth date. A 4-H'er must be 9 years old on October 1 to enroll in Shooting Sports for the following year. This is a change from the past.

Yellowstone Gateway Sports closes at 5:00 pm on Sundays. After 5:00 pm enter the building from the southeast corner.

Reminder: **YOU MUST BE ENROLLED FOR THE CURRENT 4-H YEAR BEFORE PARTICIPATING IN WORKSHOPS!!**

Questions: Please call Bill Ott at 209-2599.

**2006-2007 Archery, Air Rifle and Air Pistol Postal Tournament** is beginning December 3<sup>rd</sup> through February 11<sup>th</sup>. 8 sets of targets will be shot in a ten week period. Cost is \$6.50 per shooter per event. A shooter may enter more than one event. Age classifications are as follows: Archery-Age as of October 1, 2006: 10 & under, 11-12, 13-14, 15 & over. There will be 4 divisions for archery: unlimited, limited, barebow, & primitive. Air Pistol & Air Rifle-Age as of December 1, 2006: 9-10, 11-14, 15 & over. There are 2 air rifle divisions: sporter and precision. Please call Bill Ott at 209-2599 before November 15<sup>th</sup> if you want to participate in this tournament or if you have questions.

If you are interested in participating in either the International Precision or American Legion competitions, please contact Susie Snider at 586-0353.



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## Clubs Asked to Put on Carnival at Wild West WinterFest 2007

Is your club looking for a fun, easy way to earn some money? How about a carnival? The 2007 Wild West WinterFest Committee would like to make an old fashioned “school carnival” part of the event this year. In the past some of the 4-H clubs held a one of these events at Halloween time, but haven’t for the past several years. The clubs set up booths like bean bag tosses, fishing booths, pie throwing and ring tosses. The committee invites each 4-H club to set up a booth during WinterFest and help with us the “school carnival” concept. Each club could charge a small fee for each contestant and maybe the winners would receive a little candy or some LITTLE prize. Another way these booths could be used would be as a food drive for the Food Bank. Maybe each contestant would bring in a can of food. It would be totally up to each club. The event would be held on Saturday or Sunday, Feb. 17 or 18 in one of the heating exhibit buildings. Either day would work for the WinterFest. For more info, give the Fairgrounds office a call at 582-3270 or email us at [fairgrounds@gallatin.mt.gov](mailto:fairgrounds@gallatin.mt.gov)

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## Donation Thank You

The Gallatin 4-H Foundation would like to THANK the following donors:

Bette Langseth; Ellis Doney; Cindy Younkin; Ingram-Clevenger Inc.; Nick Shrauger; Murdoch’s; Capi Vellinga; Shelley & Gordon Vance; Scott, Ginny, Codi, Barry Francis; Debbie, Bill, Brett Riley; Tim & Stacey Alzheimer; Don Walters; Molly Nickelson; Dick Huttinga; Melanie Korthas; Gilhousen Family Foundation; Mary Chvilicek; Ressler Chevrolet; Ilene Casey

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## Club Leader & Club Officer Social

In Mid-November there will be a social hour for club leaders and club officers. There will be a short training session along with plenty of time for discussion between leaders and members. There will be a sharing of ideas to assist each club with planning for the next year. This is still in the planning stages. We will be mailing a notice all club leaders and they will invite the officers of their club.

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## 4-H Club Officers and Roles

The officer and committee system is a good way of dividing jobs and responsibilities among club members in an orderly way. The number of officers needed is determined by the size and type of club. Club officers are usually elected annually, near the beginning of the 4-H year. One of the Leaders or parents should be responsible for helping officers carry out their responsibilities. Encourage the officers to attend officer training when it is offered at to county or state level.

**President** – Prepares the agenda with other officers and Leader, and presides at club meetings. Knows and follows parliamentary procedure. Appoints necessary committees. Works with Leaders to see that meetings run smoothly. Checks on meeting arrangements.

**Vice-President** – Assumes duties of President in his/her absence. Has responsibility to see that committees are working on assigned tasks.

**Secretary** – Keeps complete and accurate records of each business meeting. Writes all club correspondence. Keeps club role and all other club records up to date.

**Treasurer** – Handles all club money. Keeps accurate and up to date financial records. Collects dues (if applicable).

**Historian** – Maintains and updates the clubs history book to preserve information for future club members.



# 2006 Montana 4-H Horse & Livestock Forum

December 8-10,

Bozeman, MT

The horse & livestock forum an event for 4-H leaders, parents, and key teens in Montana and Alberta, Canada. Attendees will have the opportunity to share ideas, discuss different areas within the 4-H horse and livestock projects, and learn new teaching methods for workshops and clinics for youth. It is our hope that through 4-H we can help to build closer

**Costs & Deadlines**  
**\$50 by Nov. 15,**  
**\$65 by Dec. 1,**  
**\$75 after Dec. 1**

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[www.gallatinextension.com](http://www.gallatinextension.com)

We are very fortunate to have the widely respected horse gentler whose approach has inspired and revolutionized the equestrian world join us at the Forum in Bozeman. **Buck Brannaman** will be the headlining speaker on Saturday from 1:00-5:00 p.m. Brannaman, made famous by the Robert Redford movie, "The Horse Whisperer," travels to more than 40 clinics per year across the world. His method of training focuses as



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## Workshops & Clinics

- Ethics
  - Bits
  - Reining
  - Poultry & Avian Flu
  - Careers in Horses
  - Horse Judging
  - Horseless Horse
  - Livestock Selection
  - Helmets
  - Assessments
  - Common Health Problems
  - Green Horse
  - Ranch Horse
  - Show Clothing on a budget
  - Colt to Maturity
  - Backcountry Injuries and Basic Health
  - Effective Use of Livestock Manuals
- Plus workshops in beef, sheep, and swine

## Workshop Presenters

Buck Brannaman  
Joani Kissonock  
Dr. John Xanthopoulos  
Dr. Peter Heideman  
George Stone  
Dixie & Wes Osborn  
Marc King  
Dr. Bruce Sorensen  
Dr. John Paterson  
Dr. Wayne Gipp  
Dr. Mike Cavey  
Andi Shockley  
Rod Cline  
Carrie Hotzel  
Beau McLean

**Check with your County Agent for the complete schedule and registration available in October.**

# Montana State 4-H Horse & Livestock Forum

December 8-10, 2006

Bozeman, MT

## Registration

- \$50 by November 15
- \$65 by December 1
- \$75 after December 1

## Lodging

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Bozeman Holiday Inn. Call 587-4561 to book your room and request the 4-H Horse and Livestock Forum rate.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Open to 4-H Age 14 and Up)

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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County: \_\_\_\_\_

Please let us know of any special accommodation or dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Please choose your preferred workshops on the backside of this form\*

Send this registration form and make payment to:

Montana 4-H Horse & Livestock Forum

201 West Madison, Suite 300

Belgrade, MT 59714

**\*\*Holiday Inn does not offer a continental breakfast, please indicate on the workshop form if you will attend the muffin and coffee breakfasts sponsored by the Forum Committee.\*\***

**\*\*Don't forget to reserve your room at the Bozeman Holiday Inn\*\***

### Workshops and Schedule

To assist us in planning, please indicate the sessions you wish to attend.

#### **Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**

3:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Registration at Bozeman Holiday Inn

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. ☐ Yes, I will be attending the Beef & Beans Chuckwagon Dinner at the Indoor Arena at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds.

#### Workshop

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. ☐ Yes, I will be attending the Ranch Horse Workshop

#### **Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 a.m. ☐ Yes, I will be attending the muffin & coffee breakfast at the Holiday Inn.

#### Workshops (Choose One Per Time Slot)

8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. ☐ Colt to Maturity  
☐ Starting a 4-H Swine Project  
☐ Show Clothing on a Budget  
☐ Common Health Problems with all Livestock Projects

9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. ☐ Green Horse – How & Why the Green Horse Project Came into Being  
☐ Livestock Selection for a Successful 4-H Project  
☐ Utilizing Your Junior Leaders and Ambassadors  
☐ Freestyle Reining

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. ☐ Starting a Horse or Livestock Judging Team in Your County  
☐ National Animal Identification for Tracking Livestock & Horses  
☐ Careers in Horse  
☐ Assessments

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Lunch provided at Holiday Inn

1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. ☐ **Buck Brannaman Clinic**

5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Free Time and dinner on your own

7:30 p.m. - Ice Cream Social, Share Fair and Silent Auction at Holiday Inn

#### **Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 a.m. ☐ Yes, I will be attending the muffin & coffee breakfast at the Holiday Inn.

#### Workshops (Choose One Per Time Slot)

8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. ☐ Ethics  
☐ Sheep Project Essentials  
☐ Starting a Successful Riding Helmet Program  
☐ Designing County Horse Camps

9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. ☐ Backcountry Equine First Aid: Prevention, Triage and Treatment  
☐ Educational Horseless Horse Activities  
☐ Poultry and Avian Flu  
☐ An Overview of the MSU Horsemanship School

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. ☐ Fit, Form and Function of Bits  
☐ Utilizing Livestock Manuals to Enhance Your Project  
☐ Training Aids  
☐ Educational Games in the Beef Project

12:15 p.m. - Depart



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We want you back. If you have not turned in your enrollment forms to the office, you will be removed from our mailing lists. It is not too late, stop by and see us or call 388-3213.

## Office Hours To Change

Due to new staffing assignments, the Extension Office as of October 1st will be closed during the lunch hour (12:00-1:00) on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. We will be open on Mondays and Fridays from 8:00-5:00 with no closure during lunch (except for any unforeseen events). We are sorry if this causes any inconvenience to you. Special arrangements can be made if you need to come see us during the lunch hour, please call 388-3213.

## Newsletter Deadlines

Want to let your project members know when that next workshop is? Want to inform your club members of a planned tour? Want to get your information in the newsletter???? We can assist you. Please have all items submitted to the 4-H office by the **20th of the month**.

## Office Closures for the Holidays

The Extension Office will be closed for the following holidays: November 7th for Election Day, November 10th for Veterans Day, November 23-24 for Thanksgiving, December 25 for Christmas, January 1 for New Year Day



**Happy Thanksgiving (We're thankful to all our volunteers! Couldn't do it without you)**